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SUBJECT: SFM-20; DEVELOPMENT PD ENDING 1900, 23 FEB

REF: A. STATE 040040 B. SINAI SFM-18

1. PERMANENT BASE CAMP - CONTRACTOR HAS LAYED OUT PERIMETER OF ORIGINAL BASE CAMP AND IS EMPLACING STAKES ON 50 FOOT MATRIX FOR GRADING. DURING MEETING WITH PEARCY TODAY WALLEN, KIMMEL AND CRAIG EMPHASIZED NEED TO PROCEED WITH PERMANENT FACILITIES ASAP. PEARCY WAS UNDER THE OMPRESSION THAT NO DRAWINGS WITH DIMENSIONS WERE AVAILABLE, AND HE FELT HE HAD NO BASIS FOR PROCEEDING. THE 12 FEB DRAWINGS WERE AGAIN DISCUSSED WITH PEARCY AND TURNED OVER TO HIM. E-SYSTEMS, ZACHRY AND SSM PERSONNEL THEN VISITED SITE AND STAKES WERE EMPLACED EXTENDING THE BOUNDRIES 150 FT NORTH AND 150 FT EAST. RESULTING LAYOUT DEEMED SATISFACTORY TO PEARCY AND ZACHRY ENGINEERS, AND APPEARED SATISFACTORY TO SSM REPS. RESULT IS 710 FT BY 850 FT AREA, WITH 850 FT ALMOSTTHRORTH-SOUTH. SW CORNER IS APPROX. 150 FT FROM CLIF NEXT TO CANYON: SOUTHERN BOUNDARY IS RELATIVELY SMOOTH AND CLEAR; AND LAND FALLS OFF FROM CENTER TO NORTH AND EAST. PLANNED ENTRANCE IS ABOUT 350 FT NORTH OF SW CORNER AND IS ABOUT ONE MILE FROM PAVED ROAD. PEARCY EXPECTS GRADING PLANS FROM ZACHRY BY WED. HE AGREED THAT LAYOUT WORK COULD START USING EXISTING COE UNCLASSIFIED

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OF 12 FEB; BUT HE WOULD LIKE E-SYSTEMS CONFIRMATION. REQUEST

YOU INFORM E-SYSTEMS THAT WORK SHOULD START ASAP AGAINST 12 FEB REVISED PLAN, AS ANOTATED BY STILES AND BROUGHT BY CRAIG. DELAYS IN START OF WORK WILL RESULT IN MANPOWER NOT BEING EFFICIENTLY USED. CONTRACTOR HAS NOT BEEN ABLE TO LOCATE A BENCH MARK NEAR THE PERMANENT BASE CAMP. CONTRACTOR WILL HAVE TO EXPEND CONSIDERABLE EFFORT TO PROVIDE ACCURATE LOCATION OF CAMP. CONTRACTOR PROPOSES TO TRI-ANGULATE NEW BENCH MARK AT BASE CAMP FROM BM AT E-1 SITE. WE SUGGESTED THAT HE ALSO LOCATE UN BARRELS 278 AND 279 RELATIVE TO LOCATION OF THE NEW SFM MONUMENT. PLEASE VERIFY REQUIREMENT FOR ACCURATE BASE CAMP LOCATION.

2. TEMPORARY CAMP - ONE 105 KW AND ONE 250 KW ELECTRICAL GENERATORS ARE ON LINE. A SECOND 105 KW UNIT SUPPLYING POWER TO KITCHEN AND MESS HALL WAS SHUT DOWN AND MOVED IN POSITION WITH THE OTHER 105 AND 250 KW UNITS. THE SWITCH GEAR FOR CONNECTING ALL THREE GENERATORS AND TRANSFERRING LOADS IS ABOUT 80 PERCENT COMPLETED. ELECTRICAL INSTALLATION IS EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED BY 29 FEB WHEN A 400 AMP PANEL FOR THE KITCHEN WILL BE RECEIVED. TOTAL ON SITE ELECTRIC POWER, SWITCHING AND DISTRIBUTION CAPABILITY IS ABOUT 92 PER CENT COMPLETE. AN 18,000 GALLON SEPTIC TANK HAS BEEN CONSTRUCTED OF KELLY PANELS AND PLY WOOD. THE TANK WAS COVERED TODAY AND SHOULD BE CONNECTED TOMORROW. FULL SERVICE INCLUDING FLUSH COMMODES ANTICIPATED COB 25 FEB (OH HAPPY DAYS).

3. WATCH STATION AND OPERATIONS/COM CENTER FACILITIES ARE OPNL. SITREP SFM 001 REPORT OPNL ACTIVITY. CONCERN REGARDING LACK OF VISUAL VERIFICATION CAPABILITY FOR GIDDI WEST SENSOR FIELD REQUIRES CLOSE EXAMINATION. ONE SOLUTION IS TO RELOCATE BASE CAMP READ OUT IN W, # 5-5ION NEAR LIED. ALTERNATE SOLUTIONS MAY INCLUDE IMAGING DEVICES WITH REMOTE READOUT AT BASE CAMP.

4. COMMUNICATIONS: SEE SEPARATE MESSAGE SINAI 0078.

5. FISCAL: STILL A SECRET E-SYSTEMS WILL NOT SHARE.

6. PERSONNEL: CONTRACTOR 146; USG 27; TOTAL 173.

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7. MISCELLANEOUS:

- A. REQUEST DAILY SITREP FROM WASHINGTON TO ADVISE SSM SITE TEAM OF DEVELOPMENTS REGARDING PERMANENT BASE CAMP.
- B. INITIAL OPERATIONAL PROCEDURES CURRENTLY BEING USED ARE BEING FORWARDED TO WASHINGTON WITH JIM CALLAWAY.
- C. SENSOR FILED LAYOUTS WILL BE FORWARDED AS SOON AS COPYING CAPABILITY IS AVAILABLE.

D. REQUEST FIRM LOADING DATES, CLEARED DEPARTURE DATE AND ETA ASHDOD FOR CONSTRUCTION MODULES. PROPOSED TRANSPORT TIME OF 36 DAYS APPEARS EXCESSIVE. DETAILED INFORMATION ON THIS MATTER IS VITAL FOR COORDINATING OFF LOADING WITH ASHDOD PORT AUTHORITIES, GROUND TRANSPORT WITH LOCAL TRANSPORTATION AND IDF AUTHORITIES, AND FOR PERMANENT CAMP CONSTRUCTION PLANNING.

E. ADVISE WHAT POLICY CONSIDERATIONS BEING APPLIED TO USG PERSONNEL RECEIVING FOOD AND LODGING ON SITE FROM THE CONTRACTOR. SHOULD USG PERSONNEL BE PAYING FOR FOOD AND LODGING?

F. PAGING/PA SYSTEM BEING CONSIDERED FOR TEMPORARY CAMP. EQUIPMENT WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR USE AT PERMANENT CAMP. COST ESTIMATE BEING REQUESTED AND WILL FORWARD. EQUIPMENT TO BE PURCHASED OFF LOCAL MARKET.

G. A RECORDING WEATHER STATION BEING CONSIDERED DUE TO REQUIREMENT IN OPERATIONAL REPORTS TO REPORT DAILY WEATHER CONDITIONS. STATION TO INCLUDE TEMPERATURE, HUMIDITY, BAROMETRIC PRESSURE AND WIND VELOCITY READINGS. COST ESTIMATE WILL BE REQUESTED AND WILL FORWARD. EQUIPMENT TO BE PURCHASED OFF LOCAL MARKET.

H. CONSTRUCTION PLANNING - SSM PERSONNEL WORKING WITH PEARCY TO DEVELOP WORK BREAKDOWN STRUCTURE AND WORK PACKAGES FOR ON SITE CONSTRUCTION. WORK PACKAGES SCHEDULED FOR COMPLETION BY COB 28 FEB.

I. PENDLETON PLEASE CONTACT KIMMEL'S WIFE ABOUT TDY EXTENSION.

J. BOOBY TRAP - INSPECTION OF BOOBY TRAP IN MITLA EAST SENSOR FIELD BY WALLEN REVEALED THAT EXPLOSIVE WAS PROBABLY SET BEFORE THE SENSORS WERE EMPLACED. POLISH EXPLOSIVE TEAM ARRIVES TODAY TO NEUTRALIZE. WILL REPORT THEIR FINDINGS.

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